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you to vote for my return to Select File, so that we can amend it, so that we can make it something better that we can address next year. With the E clause on it, it's my understanding that it could be one of the first things, if not the first thing that will be on the agenda and that we could vote on next year. So it's not that much of a delay, right there. I'd also say that LB 751, not 157 or 175 or whatever I was calling it before, but Senator Schimek's priority bill, which did not get a General File hearing before us today, is still on General File, and that still will be here with us next year, so that we can address this problem. And so I would urge my colleagues to support this return to Select File. And if you can't support my return to Select File, I would urge you, basically, to sit on your hands for the advancement of LB 85E, because I just think it's a little bit premature. If you feel it's necessary to pass something this year, I guess I'd ask you to make sure that it fits at least three criteria: number one, that you're absolutely convinced that there is a problem in this area. And I think that because of the discussion...and I am too...I think that this is an area that the state does need to step in and provide some regulations. But number two, I also think that you have to answer to yourself that you believe that LB 85E is the correct,...is the legally correct and the proper solution to that problem. And that's where I have a bit of a problem. And third, you also have to answer to yourself that there's an immediate need to pass this bill right now. And with that, I would urge my colleagues to support my motion to return this to Select File for a specific amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Quandt. The question is, shall LB 85 be returned to Select File for specific amendment? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you voted? A record vote has been requested. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: (Record vote read, Legislative Journal page 2329.) 19 ayes, 25 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The motion is not agreed to. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Wickersham would move to return